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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : SL Careerists Assigned to SIPS Task Force

REFERENCE : Multiple Addressee Memo dtd 18 June 1970

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1. This memorandum is for your information only.

- 2. Attached is a roster of the individuals currently assigned to the SIPS Task Force accompanied by the dates of detail, assignment, and, where appropriate, promotion.
- 3. As you will recall, SL Careerists were detailed to the SIPS Task Force until 30 September 1968, at which time their positions were transferred to SIPS and assignments were formally accomplished. At the time of their assignment, certain individuals were given a Personal Rank Assignment (PRA). To an extent this limited promotion opportunities because the Logistics Career Service, up to January 1970, did not approve PRA promotions on Headquarters assignments. This latter policy has been relaxed in recent months and, where promotion is deserved and can be accommodated within Office headroom, PRA per se will not deter an individual's advancement although his planned rotation to a higher-graded position will be a consideration in the decision. Additionally, some upgradings in Support Services Staff positions in the SIPS Table of Organization may provide further opportunities for advancement of Logistics Career personnel assigned to SIPS.
- 4. Contact with the Task Force has been both through our SIPS liaison officer as well as by both the former and present Office Deputy with the senior Logistics Careerists in SIPS. We have also had infrequent contacts with other members, though these, in fact, have for the most part been on an individual basis when any one of these personnel requested an appointment. In addition, the Chief, Personnel and Training Staff, has counseled individual members, including discussing the Logistics competitive promotion system with them, and several individuals have sought retirement counseling from our Retirement Counselor. Despite this limited counseling, it should be noted that all

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individuals assigned to the SIPS Task Force have been considered for advancement along with all other Logistics Careerists when a competitive promotion exercise has been conducted by this Career Service.

- 5. More recently, and prior to receipt of the referenced memorandum, the Deputy Director of Logistics, at my request, has established a close and continuing interface with the SIPS Task Force in both a programmatic and personnel sense. On the latter side, he has met with all Office of Logistics SIPS assignees in a group to discuss OL career matters and the consideration accorded Office of Logistics SIPS assignees in competitive promotion exercises, and he has begun individual career development discussions with these officers.
- 6. In summary, I believe that the Logistics Careerists assigned to the SIPS Task Force are receiving appropriate career consideration by this Office, and that all are aware that I and members of my staff are available for consultation whenever that need might arise.

John F. Blake Director of Logistics

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